

## MEDALS AWARDED TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

List of Honors Won in the Public School Exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition.

The list of awards made in the public school exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition has just been made public, and the honors won by the Virginia schools are here printed for the first time. The list follows:

**Virginia.**  
A gold medal was awarded the Department of Public Instruction (Richmond, Va.) for the collective exhibit. The award is for "Environment, Pupils' Work, Administration and Progress."

Throughout the Virginia exhibit specimens of work were shown illustrating the various ways in which the Virginia public school children are taught geography, Virginia history and Virginia industries. Production maps of Virginia and of the various counties attracted the jury of awards. A contest of Yorktown, made according to the showing the English, the French, the Spanish, the monument, and other historic spots, was noticed in the Newport News exhibit. The old St. John's Church in miniature, where Patrick Henry thundered in Revolutionary times, was seen in the Richmond exhibit. The old churches at Hampton, Williamsburg, in Isle of Wight and Norfolk were noted. The building of the Merrimack at Portsmouth navy yard was shown, and its history written by Portsmouth pupils. The battle of Manassas in relief, in picture and in story, from the schools of Manassas, and a hundred other studies of Virginia's resources, historic and physical, led the jury to recognize this work by a gold medal for the study of environment shown.

**Pupils' Work.**—This was a recognition of the general excellence of the work of the pupils, as shown in both city and county exhibits. Administration and Progress.—That which impressed the jury and all others in looking through the exhibit was the splendid progress Virginia has made in school betterment. The jury not only commended it by the highest award, but it went further and recognized that this marked progress had taken place in a most pronounced manner in the present administration, and that to the present administration is due much of the recent progress of Virginia's schools.

**Lynchburg—Gold Medal.**—One city received the highest award, the "gold medal," and this was Lynchburg. The award reads: "For work and progress through all the grades."

The Lynchburg exhibit presented in every detail an artistic finish, which at once struck those who examined it. Upon closer inspection, however, the perfect arrangement became apparent. It was easy to turn to any grade or subject, while each department upon its face showed what it stood for. The exhibit was complete, broad, artistic.

**Norfolk County—Gold Medal.**—One county exhibit received the highest award. A gold medal was awarded Norfolk county for "Buildings, Course of Study and Pupils' Work; and Special Mention of the History and Present Condition of the schools."

It is believed that there never has been shown anywhere a more creditable exhibit from rural and suburban schools than was shown at Jamestown by Norfolk county. The buildings would reflect credit upon a city. The course of study is the same as the city schools, while the excellence of the work and its breadth makes it challenge even that shown by the larger cities.

The history of the development and present condition of the Norfolk county schools was a contribution to Virginia educational history.

**Accomack County—Silver Medal.**—For "Buildings, course of study and pupils' work; and special exhibit of nature study."

Pictures of the many consolidated school buildings, framed and hung on the wall, attracted every eye. The course of study and pupils' work made a creditable showing, but what attracted the most attention was the nature work, showing a study of the oyster, clam, conch, hermit, snail, mussel, and other marine life of Accomack.

**Albemarle County—Silver Medal.**—For "Improvement in school buildings. Value of consolidation shown by pictures of centralized school buildings. Miniature of Albemarle School. Reed and ramia work. Interior views."

The points commended in this exhibit are the new school building shown in pictures framed and hung on the wall. The statistics showing that a consolidated school always contains more pupils than the sum of the pupils in the separate schools consolidated—a miniature of the Albemarle School. This school is near a stone quarry, in which some of the pupils work on Saturday. These boys quarried the soapstone and built this admirable miniature of their school. A glass showcase contained reed and ramia work, which reflected credit upon the schools and proved that manual training or industrial work was being rapidly introduced in Virginia rural schools.

**Alleghany County—Silver Medal.**—For "Pupils' work and buildings." The large relief map made by the pupils with paper pulp, which was secured from the pulp mill near Covington; the miniature of the old school and another of the large new one at Covington, caused the jury to recognize these merits.

**Augusta County—Silver Medal.**—For "Educational display." The entire exhibit was very good—the map of the county, the consolidations and transportation routes, and the general work shown in the cabinets.

**Elizabeth City County—Silver Medal.**—For "Buildings, course of study and pupils' work. Special mention of the exhibit of founding of the first free school in America." The general excellence of this exhibit impressed the jury, but especially the important historic fact shown by tablet and map.

**Nelson County—Silver Medal.**—For "Buildings and pupils' work." The arrangement of the exhibit in many ways unique, exhibit showing modern buildings and excellent pupils' work, commended it to all.

**Norfolk City—Silver Medal.**—For "Environment, course of study, pupils' work and general display."

**Richmond City—Silver Medal.**—For "Course of study, pupils' work, administration and general display."

**Norfolk, Richmond and Newport News** made the only large and complete exhibits except Lynchburg. There was little to say as to the comparative merits of the three exhibits. Newport News was omitted because the papers failed to be received by the jury on time. This exhibit, and those of Staunton, Roanoke and one or two others, will be considered, and reported on when the medals to collaborators are announced.

**Pulaski County—Silver Medal.**—For "General school work."

**Roanoke County—Silver Medal.**—For "Buildings and pupils' work."

**Scott County—Silver Medal.**—For "Pictures of old and new schools."

**Wise County—Silver Medal.**—For "Buildings, course of study, pupils' work."

**Alexandria County—Bronze Medal.**—For "Buildings and pupils' work."

**Charlottesville Public Schools.**—Bronze Medal—For "General exhibit."

**Culpeper High and Grade Schools.**—Bronze Medal—For "General school work."

**Henrico County—Bronze Medal.**—For "Buildings and pupils' work."

**Pittsylvania County—Bronze Medal.**—For "Rural work in Pittsylvania county."

**Portsmouth Public Schools.**—Bronze Medal—For "Course of study, pupils' work."

### Our Christmas Book Store

Is fully prepared to meet your needs in the gift line.  
Bibles, hymnals, Prayer Books (Episcopal and Catholic), high-class Calendars, Stationery, etc., included in this stock.

# Miller & Rhoads

### Mail Orders Filled At Advertised Prices

Forwarding charges prepaid on all orders of \$5 and over from the Virginias and Carolinas.

# Holiday Shopping Has Begun: All Departments Fully Ready

## Buying for Christmas

has already begun. The holiday spirit is manifest throughout the store—but why shouldn't it be. Do you realize there's but 26 shopping days between now and Christmas?

May we cordially second the appeal sent out by the various welfare organizations to shop as soon before Christmas as possible, and as early in the day as possible.

It's to your interest to purchase while the assortments of merchandise are at their best and before clerks become naturally wearied with the last few days' strain of work.

The store was never in better holiday trim to serve you than right now.

## Christmas Display of Infants' and Little Children's Furnishings

Many a mother will be made happy by something she's purchased herself or which has been given her that came from our Infants' Department.

Acknowledged by everybody to be the leading department of the kind in the South, our assortments this winter have never been equalled for beauty and service even by ourselves.

Notice the Display Now in the Broad-Street Windows

**Silk Caps** for babies, great variety of styles, white, pink, blue, etc., 25c, 30c, 50c, 75c up to \$2.50.

**Bath Robes**, light pink and blue grounds, with small white figures, sailor collar and cord, \$21 ages 1 to 5 years.

**Knee Leggings**, in white, navy or red wool, 50c; Jersey Leggings, \$1; Tan Leather, \$1; Ooze Leather, \$1.50.

**Red Wool Drivener Leggings**, \$1.25.

**Infants' Sweaters**, in white, and white with colored borders, \$1; Toggles to match, 50c.

**Children's Sweaters**, in red, navy and white wool, sizes 1 to 4 years, \$1.

**Babies' Soft Sole Shoes**, tan, pink, blue and white, 30c, 50c, 75c.

**Tan o' Shaners**, extra fine quality navy and red cloth, \$1.50; Camel's Hair Tama, 30c—regular 50c value.

**Box Coats** for children between 2 and 6 years; good quality red cloth, black velvet collar, \$5.

Full assortment of celluloid articles for the baby's toilet or amusement. Puff Boxes, Ribbon Boxes, Talcum Boxes, Soap Boxes, Combs and Brushes, Rattles, etc.

### Some Very Handsome

## Lace Curtains and Portieres

Not at all necessary that the Curtains should be "way up in price" to be serviceable and handsome.

The ones we advertise to-day prove exactly the contrary.

**Arabian Cluny** have been very popular this season, 3½ yards long, insertion effects, \$3.50, \$4, \$5 pair.

**Renaissance Curtains**, 8½ yards long, insertion effects, large corner motif, \$5, \$7.50, \$10.

**Self-Colored Armure Portieres**, 8 yards long, 60 inches wide, heavy fringe bottom and top, \$3.50 and \$4 pair.

**Arabian Curtains**, 8½ yards long, edge or insertion effect, \$7.50, \$9.50, \$10 pair.

**Heavy Mercerized Portieres**, with a new cord or brush edge, \$6.50 pair.

## Women's Tailored Suits

New Arrivals  
Daily

Nothing short of marvelous has been the business done in our suit section; all due, of course, to the high character of the garments carried and to the moderate prices at which they've been sold.

Three of the best sellers are the suits we picture to-day, and of which we've just gotten a new supply.

Go where you will their equals cannot be found, which is exactly the reason why we've sold so many Suits this season.



\$17.50



\$23.50



\$23.50

Splendid Suit of good quality all-wool broadcloth, 22 inch, tight-fitting jacket, lined with good taffeta, fly front, four stitched straps over the shoulders and down front and back. Full width skirt, with a cluster of side plaits; black and navy; sizes for misses and women... \$17.50

Fine quality All-Wool Broadcloth Suits, double-breasted, semi-tight fitting coat, lined with good quality taffeta, black velvet collar; skirt side plaited and stitched below the hips; 3-inch fold around bottom; sizes 34 to 46, which make it a suit well adapted for large women; navy only... \$23.59

Fine Broadcloth Suits for misses and women: 30-inch tight-fitting coat, lined with taffeta, stitched strapings over shoulders, back and front, fly front, side plaited skirt, with a 3-inch fold around the bottom; black, navy and brown... \$23.50

### High Grade Suits, \$29.50, \$35, \$39.50, \$45

Some very choice models in broadcloths and worsteds. Mostly copies of imported designs and really the equal of the latter in most respects except the price, which is about one-half that of the imported garment.

### Handsome Silk and Net Waists, \$5.65

The Price of Some Has Been \$10

Evening Waists, in mesaline and white net, lavishly trimmed with lace and lace medallions. Quite a number of styles in the assortment. To swell the sale, we've added a number of garments that were formerly up to ten dollars each.

You'll find a choice collection of waists in this lot, and the price lower than you'd naturally expect to pay.

### Two Specials in New Furs

We consider them among the best values that have ever been in the department.

**Squirrel Set**, consisting of a 50-inch scarf, lined with satin and a good size muff, also a line of plain gray or gray with a brownish shade; special value... \$13.50

**Isabella or Sable Fox** muff, large shape, two stripes, nice soft, silky hair... \$16.98

**Long Scarf**, with brush tails, same material... \$16.98

## Oriental Rugs

The new ones are all in, and how exquisitely beautiful they are.

The new patterns coming over this fall retain all the charm due to the mysterious symbols of an ancient people, and yet have a distinctiveness about them in size and color to suit the requirements of an American home.

We are selling Oriental Rugs at greatly reduced prices this month.

A few examples as follows:

**Antique Kazanka**, 4 feet 1 inch by 7 feet 8 inches, \$45 value, \$33.

**Mahal Carpets**, 8 feet 7 inches by 10 feet 9 inches, soft colorings of tan, blue and rose, \$135 value, \$152.50.

**Box Coats** for children between 2 and 6 years; good quality red cloth, black velvet collar, \$5.

Full assortment of celluloid articles for the baby's toilet or amusement. Puff Boxes, Ribbon Boxes, Talcum Boxes, Soap Boxes, Combs and Brushes, Rattles, etc.

## Hundreds of Christmas Gifts and Suggestions in the Art Dep't

The entire department is just aglow with pretty things. All sorts of shapes and colors.

You can buy these pretty conceits already made up, or buy the material to make them—plenty of ideas suggest themselves as to how they can be made.

**Pin Cushions**, all sorts of shapes and colors, 25c, 35c, 50c, 50c up to \$3.08.

New novelties in **Hat Pin Holders**, trimmed with lace and ribbon, dainty gifts, 25c, 35c and 50c.

**Inlaid Japanese Boxes** for gloves and handkerchiefs. The inlaid work is especially rich looking, 50c up to \$1.50.

**Sweet Grass Baskets**, unique effects, made by the Indians, 25c, 50c, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$3.

**Handsome Pillows**, embroidered designs, all hand-made, \$4, \$5, \$6.50 and upwards.

## More Special Values in the Big November Dress Goods Sale

Fresh supplies have been added to each lot of fabrics in our special November sale of Dress Goods.

The sale is a grand success, and for this reason—the goods would be ready sellers under ordinary circumstances at regular prices, whilst at the prices we're selling them the bargains are phenomenally good.

A low price isn't everything in the buying or selling of goods. We made a special purchase last week from a leading concern, but shipped the goods back immediately upon arrival—they weren't up to our standard of excellence.

You may depend upon the fact that no unworthy Dress Goods are ever placed on sale in this Store at any price.

Below you'll find some REAL BARGAINS:

### 500 Yards 50c Dress Goods for 29c yard

36 inches wide, in neat mixtures and plaids, light and dark colorings. This is one of the bargains of the season, and cannot be duplicated.

### 1,800 Yards 50c Suitings for 39c yard

36 inches wide, in desirable mixtures, checks and stripes, this season's fashionable colorings.

### \$1.50 Covert Cloth, \$1 yd

54 inches wide, excellent for jackets or walking skirts, in two shades of tan.

### 75c Plaid Suitings for 59c yard

42 inches, in both dark and bright combinations.

### \$1.50 Suiting Plaids, 98c yard

44 inches wide, in the new ombre effects.

### \$1 Tourist Coatings, 59c yard

54 inches wide, good, heavy-weight for making the long tourist coats or excellent for walking skirts. Two good designs, one in gray and one in brown.

### \$1 Homespun Suitings, 59c yard

54 inches wide, good weight, made of hard twisted, wear-resisting yarns, the kind that shed the dust, in navy, green, cadet, light gray and medium gray.

### \$1.50 Imported Suitings, \$1 yard

44 inches wide, in this season's fashionable stripes and checks.

### \$2 Saxony Suitings, \$1.50 yard

45 inches wide; this season's importation, in the new stripes and checks.

## More Carpets Under Price

Tapestries, Wiltons and Axminsters Reduced. We Will Offer This Week Some Very Unusual Bargains in NEW CARPETS.

We have had too many rolls in nearly all of our best and choicest patterns, so we have decided to offer a certain number of rolls at reduced prices.

These patterns are especially suited for living rooms, dining-rooms, bedrooms, parlors, halls and stairs.

We've just received a new line of Hearth and Sofa Rugs; also room-size Druggets.

The prices quoted below include making, lining and laying.

We're taking orders for Window Shades at very low prices for the balance of the season.

Four patterns of 65c Tapestry Carpets, in tans, reds and greens.....	50c yard	Three patterns of \$1.25 Axminster Carpets, in tans, reds and greens.....	75c yard	Two patterns in \$1.25 Axminster Carpets, Oriental and floral designs.....	95c yard	Four patterns of \$1.35 Axminster Carpets, borders to match.....	\$1.15 yard
Six patterns of \$1 Velvet, in greens, reds and tans.....	75c yard	Two patterns of \$1.25 Velvet Carpets, in greens, reds and tans.....	85c yard	Three patterns of \$1.50 Savonnerie Carpets, beautiful patterns.....	\$1.35 yard	Six patterns of \$1.75 Wilton Carpets, greens, reds and tans.....	\$1.50 yard

### Best Kind of Values in Rugs

Fix upon any price from \$12 up for a 9x12 foot Rug, and we'll guarantee the biggest sort of value to you at the price. Axminster Rugs, \$25. Wilton Rugs, \$35; regular \$42.50 and \$45 values.

### Blanket Specials Monday.

Do you want to save one dollar on the price of a pair of Blankets? Here's the chance.

To-morrow morning we'll offer a lot of \$6 White Wool Blankets, 70x80 inches, for \$5.

That's one special—a couple of others are in White Wool-Filled Blankets, 60x80 inches and 70x80 inches, \$3.25 and \$3.98, respectively; worth \$4 and \$5.

## Christmas Ideas in the China and Bric-a-Brac Section

There's any amount of them there. The only difficulty you'll find will be to decide upon just which of the beautiful things to buy.

That collection of Austrian China Dinner Sets at \$21.50 each we've been showing in the Broad Street windows represent the best values that Richmond housekeepers have ever had the opportunity of securing. \$25 to \$20 is a low estimate of their actual values.

Thousands of pieces of imported China from the leading potteries of Europe are now on sale, any one of which will make an excellent gift—such small prices, too, for the qualities and decorations.

25c and 30c up to three and four dollars.

The Japanese section of the department is the place that's attracting much attention these days.

Christmas time is always high-water mark in this part of the store, and never in our history have we had anything just as rich in shapes and colorings, nor greater in assortment than we have for the present holiday season.

Not content with the fame they've gained through their own peculiarly fascinating kind of work, the little brown people have gone over to Europe, copied the best of the ideas there and improved on the originals.

It's marvelous what exquisite pieces of art they've turned out.

Let us show you through the department.

Quoting prices gives you little idea what the values are until you see the goods. A few pennies buys some of the smaller pieces and the range is up to \$19.50.

## Velvets Are Very Fashionable This Season

for Gowns, Coats, Hats, Trimmings—everything, in fact, that pertains to women's outer costume.

Our showing during the coming week will be the best we have ever had.

Bear in mind that only correct styles and reliable qualities are allowed to enter this store.

### Chiffon Velvets, \$2 yd

21 inches wide, very soft and pliable, for dressy costumes, in the most wanted shades.

### Chiffon Velvets, \$1.50 yd

18½ inches wide, very soft and lustrous.

### Panne Velvets, \$1.50 yd

18½ inches wide, for trimming evening gowns and hats; beautiful sheen.

### Plain Velvets, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50 yd

18 inches wide, crêpe wear (that is, twilled back), in a wide range of shades.

### Costume Velveteens, \$1.00 and \$1.25 yd

24 inches wide, in the soft chiffon finish, Worral's celebrated dye and finish.

## Handsome Table Damask for the Holiday Season

For sterling worth in wear, and honest value throughout there's nothing woven in linens equal to the Scotch Damask that comes from the little city of Dunfermline.

Small in size in comparison to other Scottish cities, but the greatest city in the world measured by the quality and utility of its linens.

There's at least 25 patterns for round and square tables in our stock from the leading mill of Dunfermline.

We are the only city south of Philadelphia privileged to sell the output of this particular mill, which, as we said, stands at the head of the linen industry in this greatest of linen centres.

We import direct from Dunfermline—which means a saving of at least 25 per cent.

Table Cloths, 2x2 yards up to 2½x4 yards, \$2.00 to \$10.00. Napkins, 20 inches to 31 inches square, \$2.50 to \$15.00.